GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:268
ANSWERED ON:21.03.2002
SCARCITY OF CNG
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is still a scarcity of CNG distributors in the country;

(b) if so, whether people are facing a lot of difficulties as a result thereof;

(c) whether the Government are going to take steps to increase their number;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI RAM NAIK)

(a) to (e) A statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 268 FOR 21.03.2002 REGARDING SCARCITY OF CNG.

(a) to (e) CNG is mainly being supplied in Delhi and Mumbai by Indraprastha Gas Limited (IGL) and Mahanagar Gas Limited (MGL) respectively. Keeping in view, the orders of the Supreme Court for Delhi and the Mumbai High Court for Mumbai, it is planned to increase the number of outlets in Delhi to 94 by March 2002 and 45 outlets in Mumbai by March 2003. Further in both the places, apart from both MGL and IGL, some existing retail outlets of oil marketing companies have been selected, for supply of CNG depending upon their suitability and clearance by the Chief Controller of Explosive.